

COUNCIL MEETING.

A Full Quorum Present and A Large Amount of Business Transacted

The council met in regular session Mayor Short in the chair and all members present.

After the roll call and reading of minutes of previous meeting were computed the ladies having in charge the erection of a bronze drinking fountain were recognized and their petition asking permission to erect a fountain on Broadway and Fourth was read and unanimously granted.

The clerk then read a petition to the council, signed by 367 legal voters of Monett, asking for the calling of a special election to vote bonds to build and equip a municipal electric light plant. The petition was referred to the proper committee.

The annual statement of the city collector was read and referred to the proper committee.

A petition from residents on Marshall Hill asking for extension of water mains was read. The petitioners asked for a two-inch main but there were those who favored a four-inch main so that some could also be used for fire protection. The petition was referred.

C. J. Lauderdale asked the council for leave of absence for an indefinite period and same was granted. Chris Patterson was appointed to take charge of office during his absence.

Win. Meagher asked for renewal license for farm shop on Broadway and on Fourth street and filed statement and bond. License was granted.

It was moved and carried that the finance committee audit the books and accounts of the various city officials or cause same to be examined and audited.

A poll tax of \$2.00 was levied on all male persons between the ages of 21 and 50 years, an ad valorem tax of one cent and a general fund tax five mills.

A gentleman from Joplin, representing a construction company was introduced and addressed the council on the electric light proposition. His proposition was to furnish all tools, and superintend the construction of an electric plant for a per cent.

Council adjourned to meet next Tuesday night to hear estimates of costs on an electric light plant suitable to the needs of Monett.

DOCTOR R. M. EMMET KANE IS NAMED PRESIDENT OF STATE ORGANIZATION.

Springfield, Mo., May 11.—The annual State Convention of the Knights of Columbus closed here today with the initiation of a class of forty. All officers were reelected, as follows:

Doctor R. Emmet Kane, St. Louis president; D. A. Koy, Bonne Terre, State secretary; Roy McNally, Chillicothe, State treasurer; D. A. Murphy, Mexico, State advocate; J. P. Hennessy, St. Louis, State warden.

St. Louis was chosen as the next meeting place.

RAILROAD PAY DAY FIXED BY HOUSE.

Jefferson City, Mo., May 11.—All railroad corporations of Missouri are required to pay their employees before the tenth of each month by a bill which passed the House today. Failure to comply with the provisions of the act subject the offending corporation of official to a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$300 for each offense.

Failed To Carry.

In the sewer bond election in Joplin Tuesday the proposition to issue \$50,000 worth of sewer bonds failed to carry. There was lacking 56 votes of the necessary two-thirds. The vote was one of the lightest in years.

Mrs. T. H. Turner of St. Joseph, traveling secretary of Board of Woman's Missions, of Kansas City Diocese, spoke to the ladies of the Episcopal church Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Turner while here was entertained by Mrs. T. L. Colcott.

HOUSE REFUSES TO CONCUR

The Senate Amendment, to House Resolution Rejected by Almost Unanimous Vote

The lower house of the state legislature refused Tuesday to concur in the Senate Amendments to the House resolution submitting to the voters of the state the question of state-wide prohibition in Missouri. The Senate, by adding a tax rider to the House bill, made it objectionable to the representatives, and they, by an almost unanimous vote sent the bill back to the senate.

If the Senate refuses to recede from its position there will then be appointed a conference committee of the houses to confer on a measure that can be agreed upon by both branches of the legislature.

As it now stands the Senate will be held responsible if the measure fails of passage, and it is generally agreed that the intent of the Senate rider was to kill the resolution.

BOND ISSUE DEFEATED

Tuesday Springfield voted the proposition to issue bonds in the sum of \$125,000 for the purpose of modernizing the ward schools and to erect a \$75,000 industrial training school building. The proposition was defeated by a large vote. A two-thirds vote was necessary to carry the measure and it received a bare majority.

Des Moines Fire

A disastrous fire occurred in Des Moines, Ia., Tuesday night resulting in a loss of \$200,000. The building of the New York Wall Paper and Stationery Company and the Iowa State Central hotel were totally destroyed together with the contents. The guests of the hotel all escaped.

RITCHEY

We had a good rain Saturday evening. Everything looks fine.

Misses Ruby Smith, Minnie York and Dora Tomelson spent Sunday evening with Miss Alpha Garner, also Misses Goldie and Anna Bentenine.

Mrs. Delitha Conner is on the sick list.

Measles are quite numerous in our vicinity.

The singing at Mr. Smith's last Wednesday evening was well attended and all had a nice time. The singing will be at Mr. Garner's next Wednesday night.

Miss Pearl York of Ritchey, went to Neosho Monday to spend two or three weeks.

Morse Armstrong has moved his store from Neosho to Ritchey.

Wheat in our vicinity is looking fine.

The Shilo Sunday School is improving very much.

Mrs. Pearl Armstrong and daughter Jewell visited her mother, Mrs. Smith, one day last week.

Will Connor and wife visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Maple, Monday.

Miss Pearl York and Oscar Beaver were out driving Sunday evening.

Miss Lola Garner returned home Tuesday from Monett where she has been for the last week.

Miss Goldie Bentiney visited her sister, Mrs. Burris, Sunday. CROW HOLLER.

Alumni Reorganize

The graduates of the Monett High school met on Tuesday evening and were reorganized into an Alumni Association. Portland Rowden was elected president, Oliver Gulick, vice president and Mrs. Joe L. Harvey, secretary and treasurer.

The Alumni will banquet the 1909 graduates at the High school building next Monday evening.

Mrs. Guthrie left Tuesday night for Attica, Ind., called by the serious illness of her sister.

ALL DRUG LAWS ARE REVISED

New Board of Pharmacists to Be Appointed by Governor

Jefferson City, Mo., May 11.—The Senate today, without amendment, passed the House bill revising the various acts of the Legislature during the last ten years that have affected pharmacists.

This measure was introduced by Representative Hagenow, of St. Louis. Most of the old laws regulating the practice and examination of pharmacists are retained.

It is provided that the State Board of Pharmacy shall consist of five persons, who shall hold their office for five years from the date of their appointment by the Governor, but the members first appointed shall hold for one, two, three, four and five years, as shall be designated in their several commissions.

The act contains a code guarding the sale of poisons and dangerous drugs. The secretary of the board is authorized to investigate and prosecute all violations of the act.

Only licensed pharmacists can compound, dispense or sell at retail any drug or medicine, either upon a physician's prescription or otherwise. Fraudulent representations in procuring a license from the board are to be prosecuted.

The work of placing the new block signals on the Frisco system is progressing rapidly. There will be 720 block signals placed on the road between Eureka and St. Clair; Nichols and Monett; Rosedale and Nichols; Southern Junction and Willow Springs; and Jasper and Coal Creek. This work will it is expected, be completed in two months. All these stations are in Missouri.—Springfield Republican.

Work has been resumed on the new Catholic church.

Mrs. Fate Fly is quite ill this week.

Mrs. Guy McCullah is visiting at Lawton, Okla.

John Osborne has returned from a visit in Neosho.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Y. Charles visited at Hugo, Okla., Tuesday.

Mrs. J. C. Williams is recovering from a severe attack of tonsillitis.

Fate Fly went to Purdy Wednesday.

Mrs. A. L. Jenks entertained the Wednesday Club today.

Mrs. Agnes Fly, of Purdy, visited her son, Fate Fly Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Pruitt, of Talpa, visited Geo. Wilson and family Wednesday.

Mrs. Webster, of Dallas, Tex., came Wednesday on a visit to her sister, Mrs. L. D. McKee.

Mrs. C. C. Warren of Sapulpa, is visiting relatives in Monett this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Tate of Kings Prairie were in Monett Wednesday.

Miss Esther Schoen is expected tonight for a visit with Miss Geneva Parsons.

Miss Fleeta Rudy of Neosho, is expected tonight to visit her cousin, Miss Hazel Leckie.

Miss Leslie Haefliger will entertain the young ladies Whist Club tomorrow.

Landon Vance, Clifford Purdy and Allen Wicks of Peirce City, were in Monett Tuesday evening.

Dave Marshall returned Tuesday from a visit to relatives at Tulsa, Okla.

Dr. Hawkins was called to Freistatt Tuesday to perform an operation on Aug Kleibocker for appendicitis. He was assisted by Dr. Wright.

W. S. Judkins went to Joplin Wednesday to attend the annual meeting of the state department encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Manning, of Pineville, visited Mr. and Mrs. Guy McCullah Tuesday. They went from here to Lawton, Okla. Mr. Manning is Mrs. McCullah's father.

Mrs. J. S. Campbell and daughter Miss Julia, went to Cassville Wednesday on business connected with the probate court.

Frisco Would Restrain Official From Forfeiting Its Right to Operate in Oklahoma

Oklahoma City, Okla., May 11.—The application of the St. Louis & San Francisco Railway Company for a temporary injunction restraining the secretary of state from forfeiting the company's right to operate in this state because of its alleged failure to comply with the constitutional provision that all foreign public service corporations shall domesticate, was heard in chambers by United States Judge Cotter of the western district of Oklahoma in Oklahoma City today. Arguments were concluded and a decision will be rendered probably within two weeks.

Attorney General West appeared for the state. When the Gertrude Goode action for damages against the company was transferred last year from the district court of the state to the federal court, Leo Meyer, first assistant secretary of state, issued an order forfeiting the railroad's right to do business in the state. The railway company sought a temporary injunction.

COURTHOUSE SITE OPPOSED IN GREENE COUNTY

Springfield, Mo., May 11.—Application was made in the Circuit Court here today for an injunction to prevent the County Court from further proceeding with the preliminary work for the erection of a courthouse, and also to restrain the County Judges from transferring any money from the various funds of the county to the courthouse fund.

The action was brought at the instance of a number of farmers of Greene County, who object to the site of the courthouse. Recently the County Court transferred funds to the amount of \$75,000 into the courthouse fund to begin the erection of a building. A factional fight over the location has made the issuance of bonds impossible, and the County Judges decided to build with the money now in the treasury. No action was taken upon the petition.

For Alienation of Affections.

Asking \$20,000 damages for the alienation of her divorced husband's affections, the suit of Matilda C. Harris against Erma Harris was filed in circuit court today on a charge of venue from Barry county.

The plaintiff, who is represented by Attorneys D. H. Kemp and D. S. Mayhew, and who asked for the change of venue, states she was married to John A. Harris on June 22, 1900, and lived happily with him until February, 1908, when she left for Utah on a visit. During her absence, she alleges, Erma Harris furnished the plaintiff's husband John A. Harris, with \$600.00 the plaintiff's husband with \$600, which was used to secure a divorce at the July (1908) term of Barry county circuit court. Mr. Harris then married the defendant named in the suit.—Springfield Leader

The invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Lucea Eggemann to Mr. Adolph C. Krueger. The wedding will take place at the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Friestatt. There will be a reception after the ceremony at the residence of L. Krueger.

The company that was drilling for oil or gas at Monte Ne, Ark., quit work after going down nearly two thousand feet.

Mrs. Geo. Betts had the misfortune to cut her hand on a broken window glass, Tuesday so badly that a physician was obliged to take several stitches in the wound.

A voluntary petition in bankruptcy has been filed in the United States circuit court at Joplin by Ben Dillard, for years one of the leading druggists of Aurora. Commissioner Pepperdine was notified yesterday of the petition. Mr. Dillard is one of the best known business men of Aurora. He was a candidate of appointment as state game warden immediately following the last election.—Springfield Republican.

Engineer George White informs us that he and the wheat king James A. Patton were schoolmates in Illinois but that they had not met for nearly 40 years.

TAX RIDER STAYS IN DRY MEASURE

Bill Goes to Conference and It Is Conceded It Has Little Chance

Jefferson City, May 12.—The Senate today, by a vote of 17 to 15, stood pat on its tax rider amendment to the Killian prohibition resolution, and called for a conference committee to consider the measure with a similar committee from the House.

This action virtually kills the resolution, as the House, both sides of the question admit, never will accept the Senate amendment empowering the Legislature to double the tax rate in the State. The amendment changing the time of enforcement from January, 1913, to January, 1911, also was included in the vote asking for a Conference Committee.

Hadley Wants to Raise Assessment

Lebanon Rustic: As a member of the State Board of Equalization, Governor Hadley attempting to force his own views concerning taxation through that body, and was only prevented by the votes of Attorney-General Major, State Auditor Gordon and Secretary of State Roach, all Democrats, and all vitally opposed to his views. This division happened not once, but several times. Had the plan of the Governor prevailed, the whole system of taxation which has been in force in Missouri from the time of the birth of its statehood would have been changed and the bitterest feeling would have come into every community.

Ozark Fruit Rate Decision is Made.

Washington, May 12.—The Interstate Commission will not disturb the rates for the refrigeration of strawberries and peaches shipped from points in the Ozark fruit region to points in the north, east and west. In an opinion by Commissioner Lane today in the case of the Ozark Fruit Growers' association, and others against the St. Louis and San Francisco and others it was declared that these rates are not unreasonable.

Charles D. Hanes, the Frisco engineer who was killed in the derailment at Ash Grove Sunday, was buried yesterday at his home in Fort Scott, Kans., from the Episcopal church of that city at 2 o'clock. The services at the grave were under the auspices of the Masons. The active pallbearers were chosen from the Fort Scott engineers and from the A. O. U. W. of which Engineer Hanes was a member. Engineer Hanes would have been forty years old on July 11. He commenced his railway career when he was only seventeen. Engineer Hanes was a substitute for Engineer Calkins. This is the second time Calkins has happened to have a substitute who was killed. Engineer Hanes is survived by a widow and three children.—Springfield Republican.

May Recover

Judge Timmons, former judge of the twenty-first judicial district, who was seriously injured in a runaway at Kansas City, and in which his wife was killed, a month ago, may recover. The horses they were driving became frightened at an automobile and ran away throwing the occupants against a tree.

Warrensburg Gets Encampment

The next annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri Grand Army of the Republic, will be held at Warrensburg. Other cities bid for the honor but Warrensburg was successful.

Misses Julia Robbins, Florence Keithley and Verna Thomas are attending summer school at Cassville.

GOLD MEDAL CONTEST

All Contestants Acquit Themselves in a Very Creditable Manner

The annual gold medal contest was held at the high school building Wednesday evening.

The auditorium was crowded and the entertainment was everything that could be desired. There were thirteen contestants. All were well drilled and gave their selections with spirit and force. The judges could hardly decide among them.

The young men contesting were Alfred Long, Roy Parker, Orestus Lauderdale and Isaac Peck. Orestus Lauderdale received the gold medal and Roy Parker the silver medal.

The young ladies reciting were Sarah V. Parker, Berenice Downs, Eunice Horine, Grace Johnson, Ruth McBride, Ollie Jackson, Grace Whitlatch, Lillian Allen and Bertha Campbell. Miss Berenice Downs was awarded the gold medal and Sarah V. Parker the silver medal.

The judges were Miss Winkler, of the Peirce City High school, Prof. Clayton, of Aurora and Prof. Howard of Marionville college.

Prof. Howard presented the medals in a few well chosen remarks and highly commended the contestants and their instructors.

The gold medals were furnished by the school board and Will Stocker donated the silver medals.

The music was good as is usual at all the school entertainments. The high school orchestra played several selections. "Soldiers Chorus," by Gounod, was sung by the high school chorus. Misses Hazel Cooper and Vera Feist played a piano duet and a male quartet was sung by Messrs. Parker, Ferguson, Johnson and Price.

Automobile In Wreck At Frisco Crossing in Rogers.

In an accident at noon Saturday in which the loss of life seemed imminent the automobile of Willis Miller who resides west of Rogers was totally demolished. The machine was crossing the Frisco track at Poplar street when a freight car struck it. At the time the machine was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Miller, Mr. Miller's brother and Mac Derreberry. The men escaped by jumping and Mrs. Miller saved herself by clinging on to the freight car and thus was saved from being dragged under the wheels. The freight crew was switching at the time of the accident and the machine was struck by the blind end of the train. Although the machine was reduced to a jumble, the car was not derailed.—Rogers Journal.

Mrs. Miller is the mother of Homer Hines of this city.

Franchise Wanted

The electric light plant, at the meeting of the Council Tuesday night made application again for a 20-year franchise, modified in some few particulars from the one formerly presented.

They claim that they now have a franchise which will not expire for four or five years.

They make a proviso that the city have the option of purchasing the plant any time within five years, the price of same to be settled by the law of arbitration, but the company stipulates that no citizen of Monett can set upon the arbitration board. The petition was read and referred to the committee on franchises.

Misses Bess Campbell, Frances Granger and Daisy Murphy with their pupils will have a picnic at Forest Park on Saturday.

Servant—Please, mum, I wanted t' arst you, might we have a little jam in the kitchen now and then to ease the butter?—Punch.

Mrs. F. C. Williams visited her mother at Peirce City Wednesday.